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Applicant : Daniel F. Williams, et al.
Application No. : 09/820,292
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Examiner : Jamisue A. Plucinski
Docket No. : PSTM0042/MRK

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Mail Stop Amendment
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April 6, 2009

Commissioner:

Attached are the following:

1. Amendment and Response (pages 1-51) to Office Action dated January 6, 2009 (in which only existing Claims are amended; no new Claims are added -- resulting in **no additional claim fee**);
2. Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 132 by William W. Smith III (pages 1-10) with Exhibits A-K (total pages for Declaration and Exhibits 37 pages);
3. Copy of previously filed David Allison Bennett Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 132 (pages 1-6); and,
4. Return post card

It is respectfully submitted that the enclosed Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2009 is timely filed within the three-month period following the date of the Office Action because it is filed before the expiration of April 6, 2009.

Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the above-

identified application, requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, including any required extension fees, which may be required during the **pendency** of this application to Deposit Account No. 501574 and to treat this authorization as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for this application requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,
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